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11. Poloff delivered reftel demarche to Eugenio del Solar at the Special Policies division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on May 2. On May 10, Cmdr. Daniel Sarzosa of DIRECTEMAR (Directorate of Maritime Affairs, Navy branch comparable to U.S. Coast Guard) told Poloff that DIRECTEMAR had recommended ratification of the 2005 protocols to the MFA. Sarzosa noted that Chile had strongly supported the adoption of the protocols, and said ratification was assured. However, he said the legislative ratification process would take some time. He expected the Chilean Congress to ratify by the end of 2006.
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